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January 20, 2005

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary
Department of Telecommunication and Energy
One South Station, 2nd Floor
Boston, MA 02202

Re: City of Cambridge, D.T.E. 04-65

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed please find the responses of Cambridge Electric Light Company d/b/a NSTAR Electric (the "Company") to the record requests asked in the above-referenced proceeding by the City of Cambridge, as listed on the following page. The Company is endeavoring to respond to the Department's record requests and will submit them as soon as they are completed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,

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John K. Habib

Enclosures

cc:

John Shortsleeve, Esq.

William Stevens, Hearing Officer

Sean Hanley, Rates and Revenues Requirements James Byrnes, Rates and Revenues Requirements Mark Barrett, Rates and Revenues Requirements

RECORD REQUESTS ATTACHED

RR-City-1 RR-City-2 RR-City-3

NSTAR Electric Department of Telecommunications and Energy D.T.E. 04-65

Record Request: City-1

January 20, 2005

Person Responsible: Christine L. Vaughan

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Record Request City-1 (Tr. 1, at 97)

Referring to Exh. DTE-2-7(a), please specify if the 41 entries in the 635 account represent 41 removed street lights. If not, please specify how many streetlights were removed for \$15,541.

Response

The 41 entries in the 635 account totaling \$15,541 represent the cost to remove 53 streetlights and 9 streetlight poles from utility service. There are more retirement units than entries in the report because some entries represent more than a single retirement unit.

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Record Request: City-2

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Record Request City-2 (Tr. 1, at 99)

Please refer to Exh. City-1-15 (Att). Please specify the number of streetlight installations referred to in Column 2 for the year 2000 that relate to the \$68,423 figure.

Response

In the year 2000, the Company installed 114 street lights, 27 dedicated streetlighting poles, 610 feet of dedicated streetlighting underground conductors and 8 feet of dedicated streetlighting underground conduit, all of which is included in the \$68,423 amount shown in Column 2 of Exhibit City-1-15 (Att). To clarify the record, the data presented in Exhibit NSTAR-CLV-1 lists only the surviving lights. In the course of her testimony, Ms. Vaughan explained that one cannot assume that the number of lights shown on Exhibit NSTAR-CLV-1, column F, for a specific year represents the total number of lights actually installed in that year. In fact, with regard to older vintages, it becomes more likely that some of the assets originally installed in those years have since been retired. However, in direct response to the City's question, none of the 114 lights originally installed in 2000 has been retired to date.

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Record Request City-3 (Tr. 1, at 166)

Please provide any information the Company has regarding the portion of removal cost that may be related to streetlight transformer retirements in the City of Cambridge.

Response

The Company neither includes transformers in its streetlighting equipment plant accounts (account 373), nor does it propose to sell any transformers to the City as part of this transaction. Therefore, there are no costs of removal relating to streetlighting transformers included in the Company's price as calculated on Exhibits NSTAR-1 or NSTAR-2.